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Docket No.: 283-299
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In re Patent Application of:
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Application No.: 09/854,756

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Art Unit: 2134

For: A PORTABLE KEYING DEVICE AND
METHOD

Examiner: E. C. Tran

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Comments begin on page 2 of this paper.



COMMENTS

Regarding reasons for allowance presented in the present application, applicant notes that reasons for allowance as to claims 80-92 were noted in the Office action of May 2, 2007. However, applicant notes that the elements listed in the Examiner's statement are not present in every claim of the present application, and are not present in every claim noted by the Examiner in the May 2, 2007 Office action.

If the Examiner's position is that each element referenced in the reasons for allowance presented in the present application file must be present in each claim for each claim to be allowable, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the allowance and to present a new non-final Office action substantiating such a finding. Otherwise, the record will reflect that each claim has been allowed for a combination of elements actually recited therein.

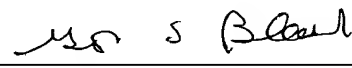
Accordingly, in view of the above comments, applicant believes the claims of the present application to be in condition for allowance and respectfully request passage to allowance of the application.

If the Examiner believes that contact with applicant's attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call applicant's representative at the phone number listed below.

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